P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the enslavement of a substantial part of the world's population by communist imperialism make a mockery of the idea of peaceful coexistence between nations; and

WHEREAS, since 1918 the imperialistic and aggressive policies of soviet communism have resulted in the subjugation of many once free peoples and created a vast slave empire which poses a dire threat to the security of the United States and of all the free people of the world; and

WHEREAS, these submerged nations look to the United States as the citadel of human freedom for leadership in bringing about their liberation and independence and in restoring to them the enjoyment of their religious freedoms and of their individual liberties; and

WHEREAS, it is vital to the national security of the United States that the desire for liberty and independence on the part of the peoples of these conquered nations should steadfastly be kept alive; and

WHEREAS, the desire for liberty and independence by the overwhelming majority of the people of these submerged nations constitutes a powerful deterrent to war and one of the best hopes for a just and lasting peace; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, acting on a unamimous resolution of Congress, has proclaimed the third week in July each year as Captive Nations Week, to be observed with appropriate ceremonies and activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARCHIE GUBBRUD, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week commencing July 16, 1961, as

CAPTIVE NATIONS WEEK

and call upon the citizens of South Dakota to join with the other states in observing this week offering prayers for the peaceful liberation of the oppressed and subjugated peoples all over the world, and by other appropriate manifestations.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this _____ day of July, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-One.

Archie Gubbrud

Archie Gubbrud, Governor

ATTEST:

Secretary of State

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